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identified in the International Search Report which was filed together with said April 27, 2006 IDS.

It is requested that said publications be considered and that a copy of the enclosed IDS FORM with the Examiner's initials in the left column be returned to the undersigned attorney.

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